

Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service

§ 1402.1

(c) *Fee payments.* (1) Payments shall be made by check or money order payable to "Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service" and shall be sent to: Director, Financial Management Staff, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, 2100 K Street NW., Washington, DC 20427.

(2) If a requester fails to pay chargeable fees that were incurred as a result of this Agency's processing of the information request, the Agency beginning on the 31st day following the date on which the notification of charges was sent, may assess interest charges against the requester in the manner prescribed in 31 U.S.C. 3717.

(3) The Agency may use the provisions of the Debt Collection Act of 1982, (Pub. L. 97-365, 29 CFR part 1450) including disclosure to consumer reporting agencies, for the purpose of obtaining payment.

(d) *Advance payments.* FMCS may require a requester to make an advance payment of anticipated fees under the following circumstances:

(1) If the anticipated charges are likely to exceed \$250, FMCS may notify the requestor of the likely cost and obtain satisfactory assurance of full payment when the requester has a history of prompt payment of FOIA fees, or require an advance payment of an amount up to the full estimated charges in the case of requesters with no history of payments.

(2) If a requester has previously failed to pay fees that have been charged in processing a request, within 30 days of the date when the notification of fees was sent, the requester may be required to:

(i) Pay the entire amount of fees that are owed, plus any applicable interest as provided for in paragraph (c)(2) of this section, and

(ii) To make an advance payment of the full amount of the estimated fee before the Agency will process the new pending request.

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PART 1402—PROCEDURES OF THE SERVICE

AUTHORITY: Sec. 202, 61 Stat. 153, sec. 3, 80 Stat. 250, sec. 203, 61 Stat. 153; 5 U.S.C. 552, 29 U.S.C. 172, 173.

§ 1402.1 Notice of dispute.

The notice of dispute filed with the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service pursuant to the provisions of section 8(d)(3), of the Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947, as amended, shall be in writing. The following Form F-7, for use by the parties in filing a notice of dispute, has been prepared by the Service:

FMCS Form F-7.
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NOTICE TO MEDIATION AGENCIES

To: Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, Washington, D.C. 20427; and

To: (Appropriate State or Territorial agency.)

Date _____

You are hereby notified that written notice of the proposed termination or modification of the existing collective bargaining contract was served upon the other party to this contract and that no agreement has been reached.

1. (a) Name of employer (if more than one company or an association, submit names and addresses on separate sheet in duplicate). Phone No. _____

Address of establishment affected (Street) _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip Code) _____.

(If more than one establishment, or plant, list addresses on separate sheet.)

(b) Employer Official to communicate with (name and title). _____

Address: _____ Phone No. _____ (Street), _____ (City), _____ (State). _____

2. (a) International union _____ Local No. _____. AFL-CIO (). Independent (). Phone No. _____. Address of local union: _____ (Street), _____ (City), _____ (State), _____ (Zip Code). _____

(b) Union official to communicate with _____ Phone No. _____. Address: _____ (Street), _____ (City), _____ (State), _____ (Zip Code). _____

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3. (a) Number of employees covered by the Contract(s) _____.

(b) Total number employed by the Company at this location(s) _____.

4. Type of establishment and principal products, or services _____

(Factory, mine, wholesaler, over-the-road trucking, etc.).

5. Contract expiration or reopening date _____.

6. Name of official filing this notice _____ Title _____.

Address _____ Phone No. _____.

Check on whose behalf this notice is filed:

Union _____ Employer _____

Signature _____

Receipt of this notice does not constitute a request for mediation nor does it commit the agencies to offer their facilities. This particular form of notice is not legally required. Receipt of notice will not be acknowledged in writing by the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. (Attach copies of any statement you wish to make to the Mediation Agencies.)

Copies of this Form F-7 are obtainable at the national, regional and field offices of the Service. This form may be duplicated for use by representatives of employers or unions provided it is copied in full without change.

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§ 1403.1 Definitions.

As used in this part, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise;

(a) The term *commerce* means trade, traffic, commerce, transportation, or communication among the several States, or between the District of Columbia or any Territory of the United States and any State or other Territory, or between any foreign country and any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, or within the District of Columbia, or any Territory, or between points in the same State but through any other State or any Terri-

tory or the District of Columbia or any foreign country.

(b) The term *affecting commerce* means in commerce, or burdening or obstructing commerce or the free flow of commerce, or having led or tending to lead to a labor-management dispute burdening or obstructing commerce or the free flow of commerce.

(c) The term *labor union or labor organization* means any organization of any kind, or any agency or employee representation committee or plan, in which employees participate and which exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with employers concerning grievances, labor disputes, wages, rates of pay, hours of employment, or conditions of work.

(d) The term *State or other conciliation services* means the official and accredited mediation and conciliation establishments of State and local governments, which are wholly or partially supported by public funds.

(e) The term *proffer its services*, as applied to the functions and duties of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, means to make mediation services and facilities available either on its own motion or upon the request of one or more of the parties to a dispute.

§ 1403.2 Policies of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

It is the policy of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service:

(a) To facilitate and promote the settlement of labor-management disputes through collective bargaining by encouraging labor and management to resolve differences through their own resources.

(b) To encourage the States to provide facilities for fostering better labor-management relations and for resolving disputes.

(c) To proffer its services in labor-management disputes in any industry affecting commerce, except as to any matter which is subject to the provisions of the Railway Labor Act, as amended, either upon its own motion or upon the request of one or more of the parties to the dispute, whenever in its judgment such dispute threatens to cause a substantial interruption to commerce.